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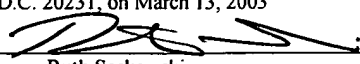
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein mailed 13 February 2003, time for response to which was set to expire 13 March 2003. Restriction among six Groups was required.

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the invention of Group I, claims 1-12 drawn to polypeptides. This election is made without traverse; however, it is understood that should the designated claims be found allowable claims directed to at least one method of use would be rejoined.

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